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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER  
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated October 4, 2006, received in the patent application identified above, please amend this application as indicated herein.